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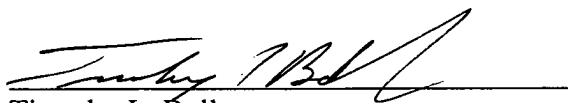
Claims 5, 13, 15 and 17-27 are pending. The Examiner is thanked for allowing claim 15 and indicating claims 5 and 13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim. Claims 1-4, 6-11, 14 and 16 were canceled. Claims 5 and 13 have been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim. New claims 17-27 depend from allowable claims 5, 13 and 15 and consequently are similarly allowable, it is submitted.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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